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I CLAIM:

1. A Nuclear Myosin I β protein comprising a 16 amino acid N-terminal extension added to a cytoplasmic Myosin I β protein amino acid sequence.

2. The Nuclear Myosin I β protein of claim 1 wherein the amino acid sequence comprises:

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	eaafienlrr	rfrenliyy	igpvlsvnp	yrdlqiysrq
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	lnsr.			

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3. An oligonucleotide sequence encoding the Nuclear Myosin I β of claim 1.

4. A cDNA molecule with the following nucleotide sequence:

1	ggagcggggc	gccgggtcgg	gcaggatgcg	ctaccgggca	tcggccctgg
5	gcagtgcagg				
61	ggttcgagt	accatggaga	gcgcttgac	tgcccgagac	cgggtagggg
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5. A peptide comprising an amino acid sequence
 MRYRASALGSDGVRVT.

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6. A cDNA molecule encoding the peptide of claim 4.
7. The peptide of claim 5 comprising an epitope with the amino acid sequence FLAG.
8. An antibody directed to the Nuclear Myosin I β protein of claim 2.
- 5 9. An antibody directed to the peptide of claim 4.
- 10 10. The antibody of claim 7, wherein the antibody is a monoclonal antibody.
11. An antibody directed to the peptide of claim 7.
12. A functional complex formed between one RNA polymerase II.
- 10 13. A method for inhibiting cell proliferation, said method comprising:
- (a) obtaining at least one antibody to the peptide of claim 5; and
- (b) administering the antibody to an organism so that the antibody contacts cells.
14. The method of claim 13 wherein the antibody is a monoclonal
- 15 antibody.
15. The method of claim 13 wherein the antibody is a synthetic compound.
16. A method for inhibiting cell proliferation, said method comprising
- a) obtaining an antisense oligonucleotide to the cDNA of claim 3;
- (b) contacting the cDNA with the antisense oligonucleotide to
- 20 prevent expression of the cDNA and reduce cell proliferation.
17. A method for screening a candidate agent that inhibits transcription, said screening method comprising the antibodies in claim 9.
- (a) providing proliferating cells;
- (b) contacting the cells with the candidate agent;
- 25 (c) determining whether nuclear myosin I β (NMI β) is translocated to the nucleus of the cells; and
- (d) inferring that the candidate agent is an inhibitor of cell proliferation if NMI β is not detected in the cells nucleus.

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